

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 111, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 2 following:
- 3 SECTION 1. IC 20-26-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.229-2007,
- 4 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 5 JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 10. Except as provided in section 11 of this
- 6 chapter, the four (4) year graduation rate for a cohort in a high school
- 7 is the percentage determined under STEP FIVE of the following
- 8 formula:
- 9 STEP ONE: Determine the grade 9 enrollment at the beginning
- 10 of the reporting year three (3) years before the reporting year for
- 11 which the graduation rate is being determined.
- 12 STEP TWO: Add:
- 13 (A) the number determined under STEP ONE; and
- 14 (B) the number of students who:
- 15 (i) have enrolled in the high school after the date on
- 16 which the number determined under STEP ONE was
- 17 determined; and
- 18 (ii) have the same expected graduation year as the
- 19 cohort.
- 20 STEP THREE: Subtract from the sum determined under STEP
- 21 TWO the number of students who have left the cohort for any of
- 22 the following reasons:
- 23 (A) Transfer to another public or nonpublic school.
- 24 (B) Removal by the student's parents under IC 20-33-2-28
- 25 to provide instruction equivalent to that given in the public
- 26 schools.

(C) Withdrawal because of a long term medical condition or death.

(D) Detention by a law enforcement agency or the department of correction.

(E) Placement by a court order or the department of child services.

(F) Enrollment in a virtual school.

(G) Leaving school, if the student attended school in Indiana for less than one (1) school year and the location of the student cannot be determined.

(H) Leaving school, if the location of the student cannot be determined and the student has been reported to the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children.

(I) Withdrawing from school before graduation, if the student is a high ability student (as defined in IC 20-36-1-3) who is a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher education during the semester in which the cohort graduates.

STEP FOUR: Determine the total number of students **determined under STEP TWO** who have graduated during the current reporting year **or a previous reporting year**.

STEP FIVE: Divide:

(A) the number determined under STEP FOUR; by

(B) the remainder determined under STEP THREE.

SECTION 2. IC 20-26-13-10.7, AS ADDED BY P.L.229-2007, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 10.7. For purposes of determining a graduation rate under sections 10, 10.2, and 10.5 of this chapter, a student may be counted as **a member of only one (1) cohort and as graduating during only during any one (1) reporting year**.

SECTION 3. IC 20-26-13-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.229-2007, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 12. For each high school, the department shall calculate an estimated graduation rate that is determined by the total number of graduates for the reporting year divided by the total number of students enrolled in grade 9 at the school three (3) years before the reporting year. For any school where the difference between the estimated graduation rate and the number determined under STEP ~~SEVEN~~ **FIVE** of section 10 of this chapter is more than five percent (5%), the department shall request the data used in determining that the missing students are classified under one (1) or more of clauses (A) through (I) of STEP THREE of section 10 of this chapter.

(Reference is to SB 111 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Education.

LONG, Chairperson

